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<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Herbert Martin WILSON et al.
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*Title of the Invention:* **Methods for Tissue Culturing and Transforming Elite Inbreds  
of Zea Mays L.**

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT RECEIVED**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to action in the present application, please enter the following Second Preliminary Amendment contained on the following page, which is summarized below.

Please add new claim 43.

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